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Sir:

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Applicants petition the Assistant Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action mailed December 8, 1999, for two (2) months from March 8, 2000, to and including May 8, 2000.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 08-3425 in the amount of \$380.00 to cover the cost of the extension. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this submission, please charge our Deposit Account No.08-3425. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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